

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 and 11-20 are pending in the application. Claims 7, 9 and 11 have been amended to correct matters of form. No new matter has been added by way of amendment.

I. Claim Objections

The Examiner objects to claim 7 for being written in improper dependent form. Claim 7 has been amended, rendering the objection moot. Withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claim is respectfully requested.

II. Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112

The Examiner rejects claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 11 has been amended, rendering the objection moot. Withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the claim is respectfully requested.

III. Allowed Claims

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the consideration and allowance of claims 5, 6, 8, 9 and 12. The Applicant believes that the amendments to claims 7 and 11 render them allowable, also. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance regarding claims 5-9, 11 and 12.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the foregoing remarks, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims. Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference with Applicant's attorney would expedite prosecution of the application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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